



# Why do employers want Cognitive Science graduates?

## IT and software

Competent in using statistical packages for psychology projects, Office suite, and Python, Java, C, etc. for informatics projects

## Statistical and numeracy

Completing statistical modules in the study of psychology, including using SPSS software.

## Problem solving

Innovative approaches to solving problems using cross disciplinary approaches from philosophy, psychology, linguistic and informatics.

## Communication

Explaining complex scientific research, presenting to class, research and writing effective essays and reports.



## Organisation

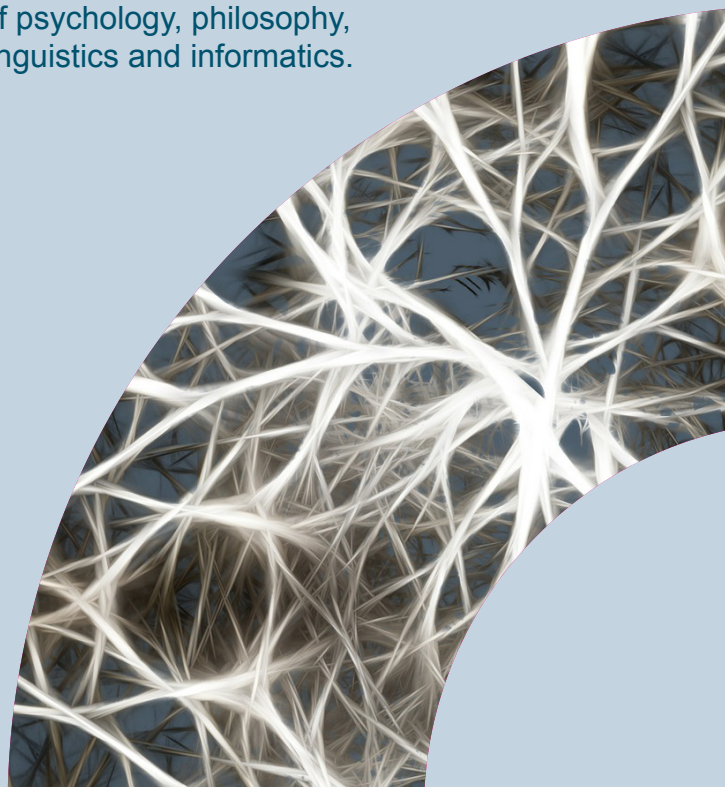
Effectively manage time, completing multiple course assignments across different disciplines to a high standard whilst working part time.

## Research and Analytical

Evaluating and interpreting philosophical ideas, interpreting data sets in psychology experiments and linguistic research, analytical reasoning for informatics programming, facility with quantitative and qualitative methodologies

## Understanding of how memory, attention and decision making work

Through interdisciplinary study of psychology, philosophy, linguistics and informatics.





## Employers who want cognitive science graduates

Here are a few examples of employers from some of the fields that employ cognitive scientists, ranging from private sector multi-nationals, to the public sector and SMEs.



IBM has a graduate programme, offering great opportunities in business, consulting, design and technology. Graduates can work in areas such as Software Development, Analytics and Cognitive Computing.

IBM Graduate programme:  
[www.ibm.com/employment/uk/graduate-programmes](http://www.ibm.com/employment/uk/graduate-programmes)

BT graduate programmes offers a very wide range of opportunities including: software engineering, sales, operations management, HR and customer solution design. Also have an internship programme.

BT Graduate programmes:  
[www.btgraduates.com/our-programmes/uk-internships/overview](http://www.btgraduates.com/our-programmes/uk-internships/overview)



Scott Logic is a software development consultancy. Graduate programmes include one for User Experience Design - for strategic thinkers who believe problems are most effectively solved through research and exploration [and an] appetite for creating simple solutions to complex problems.

[www.scottlogic.com/about/company-information/](http://www.scottlogic.com/about/company-information/)

The Civil Service offers many opportunities, including the specialist fast streams: Government operational research service (GORS), Government Economic Service (GES), Government Statistical Service (GSS), Government Social Research Service (GSRS).

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Research institutes are a major source of employment. Universities and other institutions, including research councils, advertise vacancies on their own websites, but you will also find them on jobs boards such as Indeed.co.uk:

<http://www.indeed.co.uk/Cognitive-Research-jobs>